

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

AmeriCorps Farm to School (F2S) Specialist Position Details

Do you have a passion for nutrition, agriculture, working with kids or all three? How about conducting fun games and taste tests with students? Or do you want to enhance your teaching, lesson planning, communication, or management skills? Join our team and become an AmeriCorps Farm to School Specialist. You will be responsible for this and so much more!

Farm to School Specialist Members will serve as the main liaison between the F2S program and all five school districts within Juneau County (Mauston, Royall, Necedah, Wonewoc, and New Lisbon). Their goal is to build up the capacity of their local community to support farm to school programming.

Member Duties

- Develop and implement nutrition education programs for 4k-12th grade students
- Assist with creating and implementing farm to school programming to improve school food environments through...
 - Local procurement education and action plans
 - School gardens and associated curriculum
 - Local foods on school meal menus
 - Local food taste tests
 - Farmer visits or field trips
- Recruit and mobilize community volunteers to increase the program's capacity
- Coordinate and facilitate a farm to school task coalition to promote program sustainability
- Plan or participate in several community events to promote farm to school programming
- Create plan for program sustainability efforts
- Create Harvest of the Month calendar and coordinate logistics
- Monitor, update, and implement media and marketing plan including drafting press releases and other earned media activities
- Collaborate with other Members to create a statewide network
- Administer various program surveys
- Collect data and track program performance
- Participate in at least one National Service Day

Requirements:

- Age Minimum: 18 years
- Education Requirement: High School Graduate/GED
- Strong interpersonal and problem-solving skills in a team setting
- Strong verbal and written communication skills
- Passion for inspiring healthful eating among youth and for promoting local, sustainable agriculture
- Working knowledge of word processing and spreadsheet software and ability to efficiently navigate the internet
- Ability to work independently and develop work timeline
- Ability to provide one's own transportation for work purposes
- Possession of a valid Wisconsin Driver's License
- Must be a U.S. Citizen, U.S. National, or lawful permanent resident alien
- Must be able to completely pass a National Criminal History Check conducted by DPI-Human Resources before serving vulnerable populations as outlined in 45 CFR §2510.20

Member Benefits and Service Year Requirements:

- Service year to begin August 15, 2019, with a minimum of a year commitment
- Full time status (1700 hour)
- \$14,000 Living Allowance
- \$6,095 Education award (upon successful completion)
- Health Insurance
- Child care benefits
- Attendance to professional conference
- Ongoing professional development opportunities and training
- Student loan deferment

To apply, please submit the online application by **noon on Friday, August 2nd**: [AmeriCorps Farm to School Specialist Application](#) or call 608-847-9373 with questions.